



COACHELLA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

Established in 1918 as a public agency

(11/27/18) Board Meeting
CWSRF Policy Amendment
Deadline: 10/19/18 by 12 noon

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SENT VIA EMAIL: commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov

October 19, 2018

Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 24th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814



Re: SUPPORT – Proposed Amendment to the Policy for Implementing the Clean Water State Revolving Fund

Dear Ms. Townsend:

Coachella Valley Water District (CVWD) writes in support of the Proposed Amendment to the Policy for Implementing the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF). CVWD has been actively monitoring the process the State Water Resources Control Board (Water Board) has undertaken to amend the implementation policy for the CWSRF. CVWD favors the direction the Water Board is going and the amendments made to the Policy.

CVWD strongly favors the implementation of a funding calendar and development of a Fundable List. By clearly outlining when proposals will be notified of funding eligibility and final disbursement of loan funds would be made, CVWD may better plan for projects included in its Capital Improvement Plan. CVWD's Board of Directors and staff have developed a project list to maintain CVWD's high level of reliable service and to ensure that it is able to continue serving Coachella Valley customers well into the future. Without a measureable time frame for knowing when funding may become available for a project, CVWD would end each year with a large number of projects "in process." The development of a Fundable List and a means for moving projects through a reliable time line for funding disbursement is a welcome change strongly supported by CVWD.

CVWD appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Proposed Amendments and is pleased to support the efforts to make the funding process more transparent and convenient to the stakeholders the Water Board serves.

Should you have questions about the comments submitted within this letter, please contact Kristen Johnson, Government Affairs Specialist, at (760) 398-2651, extension 3564, or kjohnson@cvwd.org.

Sincerely,

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